GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA

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SHOWING OBSCENE FILM AT IGI AIRPORT
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether an incident of showing obscene film at the Indira Gandhi International Airport occurred on January 7, 2005;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the action taken against the persons held responsible for this incident; and

(d) the steps taken by the Government to prevent recurrence of such incidents?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE(INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI PRAFUL PATEL)

(a), (b) & (c):- Yes, Sir. It was informed to the office of the Airport Manager on 7-1-2005 that an obscene film was being shown in one of the entertainment TV in the arrival visitor`s lounge at Terminal-II. On verification it was found that one of the news channels had been changed at source to `Trinity Channel` which was showing the obscene film. The TV was immediately switched off and the matter was taken up with the Cable Operator and an F.I.R. has also been lodged at Terminal-II Police Station.

(d):- Following steps have been taken to prevent likely recurrence of such incidents:

i. Manual selection of channel on the TV in public area has been blocked.

ii. Only News Channels are displayed in public area.

It has also been decided to provide Plasma TV with jamming facility to display only News Channels and to debar the delinquent Cable Operator.